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LOK SABHA

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SPORTS PERSONS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has provided financial assistance from the Rashtriya Kalyan Kosh to sports persons from North Eastern Region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the assistance provided to these sports persons during the last three years till date, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ, YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) & (b): Under the Scheme of National Welfare Fund for Sportspersons, financial assistance is given in the form of a monthly pension of upto Rs.2500 per month to outstanding sportspersons of yesteryears who are living in indigent circumstances. Lump sum financial assistance upto Rs.40,000 is also given for medical treatment in case of injury. Sportspersons who suffer from fatal injury during training for, or while participating in, International Competitions, are also provided assistance upto Rs.1.00 lakh. The Scheme is open to eligible sportspersons from all over India.

(c)Under the Scheme, pensions are not given State-wise.However, a list indicating the names of sportspersons given pensions under the National Welfare Fund Scheme during the last three years is enclosed at Annex-I.